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Via Electronic Mail and Regular Mail
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Re: Public Information Request Received from Isaiah X. Smith; Our File No. 16257

Dear Mr. Smith:

As you know, this law firm is general counsel to the Tarrant County Hospital District d/b/a JPS Health Network ("District"). Your email to the District requesting information under the Texas Public Information Act ("PIA Request"), which was directed to J.R. Labbe, the District's Vice-President for Communications and Community Affairs, has been forwarded to our office for processing.

Pursuant to your initial PIA Request, you have requested the documents listed below. In subsequent correspondence clarifying the information requested in the initial PIA Request, you have defined "federal officials" to include the "Federal Bureau of Investigation, U.S. Marshals, Central Intelligence Agency, U.S Department of Justice, U.S Department of Homeland Security, National Security Agency, Defense Intelligence Agency, National Geospatial-Intelligence Agency, the Drug Enforcement Administration, and the National Reconnaissance Office and any other federal agency in which the requested information from the JPS Health Network or in which the District supplied information..." You also clarified that the information requested is for the time frame "from 2013 to the present."

Pursuant to your initial PIA Request and the subsequent correspondence clarifying the initial request, the District's responses to your PIA Request are in italics below each category of documents requested.

1. "All records that is in regards and pertaining to Section 5xi of the JPS Health Network Privacy Practices/Policies;"

Please see District Policy PRV 100 Confidentiality of Healthcare Information, District Procedure PRV 104 Patient's Rights and District Notice of Privacy Practices.

2. "All records that are in regards to and pertaining to Section 5xii of the JPS Health Network Privacy Practices/Policies;"

Please see District Policy PRV 100 Confidentiality of Healthcare Information, District Procedure PRV 104 Patient's Rights and District Notice of Privacy Practices.

3. All written communication to and from federal officials that has been received and sent by the JPS Health Network in which are requests and disclosures as to the health information of individuals for intelligence, counterintelligence, and other national security activities authorized by law;"

The District is requesting an exception to providing this information from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

4. "All written communication to and from federal officials that has been received and sent by the JPS Health Network in which are requests and disclosures as to individuals health information for the purpose as to providing protection to the President, other authorized persons or foreign heads of state, or to conduct special investigations;"

The District has no documents that would reflect this information.

5. "Records reflecting a list of all cases, with docket numbers if available, including but not limited to sealed cases, in which federal officials were disclosed the health care information of individuals in regards and pertaining to Sections 5xi and 5xii;"

The District is requesting an exception to providing this information from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

6. "All court orders, subpoenas, and all other orders that have been submitted by federal officials to the JPS Health Network in which were orders for the disclosure of patients health care information by and through Section 5xi and 5xii;"

The District is requesting an exception to providing this information from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

7. “All communications or agreements between the JPS Health Network and with federal officials concerning the use of sections 5xi and 5xii, the disclosure of information of individuals pertaining to those sections and the information disclosed that is in regards and pertaining to those sections of the privacy practices of the JPS Health Network.”

The District is requesting an exception to providing this information from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

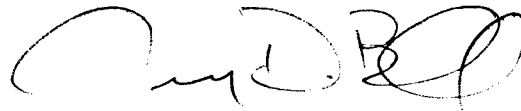
8. “A copy as to all healthcare information of all individuals that the JPS Health Network has disclosed to federal officials pursuant to Sections 5xi and 5xii of the JPS Health Network Privacy Practices/Policies.”

The District is requesting an exception to providing this information from the Office of the Attorney General of Texas.

Please see the enclosed correspondence directed to the Office of the Attorney General of Texas in response to your request for documents that the District has requested an exception from providing. I may be reached at (817) 552-7742 if you have questions regarding this response. If I am not available, please feel free to speak to my paralegal, Allison McCarthy, at (817) 702-3898.

Sincerely,

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